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1. VIET CONG IN LAST FEW DAYS BEFORE THE ELECTIONS ARE POURING OUT INTENSE PROPAGANDA (FBIS ESTIMATES AROUND 50 PER CENT OF CURRENT VC RADIO OUTPUT) AND MOUNTING WAVE OF VIOLENCE THROUGTOUT SOUTH VIETNAM IN AN EFFORT TO THWART AND SABOTAGE SEPTEMBER 3 ELECTIONS. TOTAL VC EFFORT SURPASSES THAT MADE AGAINST THE CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY SEPTEMBER 1966 ELECTIONS, BUT, VC ARE MAKING FEWER PUBLIC CLAIMS THIS TIME THAT ELECTIONS WILL BE EFFECTIVELY FRUSTRATED.

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2. VC RADIO HAS CARRIED APPEALS FROM VIRTUALLY EVERY

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